

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner of
09/894,248: Laura Estelle Edwards

Pacetti et al.

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09/894,248

Art Unit for
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Title: A Mandrel for Supporting a Stent and a Method of Using the Mandrel to
Coat a Stent

Commissioner for Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Examiner:

Please amend the above-identified divisional application as indicated below. The amendments are fully supported by the written description. Also, no new matter has been introduced into the application.